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Docket No. 614.1804/DSG

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Koji ARAI

Serial No.: 08/796,752

Filed: February 6, 1997



Group Art Unit: 2739

Examiner: NGUYEN, P.

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For: COMMUNICATION METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A RADIO LOCAL
AREA NETWORK SYSTEM USING MACRODIVERSITY

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 24, 1999, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 24, 2000. A Petition for an Extension of Time for one month is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 24, 2000.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please CANCEL claims 10 and 13 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please AMEND claims 1-9, as follows.

1. (AMENDED) A communication method for a radio LAN system [providing communication at a first transmission rate, said method] comprising [the steps of]:

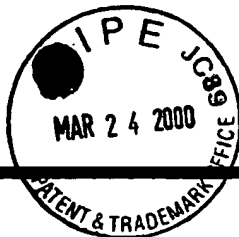
[(a)] time-divisionally distributing [a first signal of said first transmission rate into

n-1 second signals (n = 3, 4, ...)] an input signal to be sent to a terminal into at least two signals;

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| REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL | | Attorney Docket No. | 614.1804/DSG | | |
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| | | Application Number | 08/796,752 | | |
| | | Filing Date | February 6, 1997 | | |
| | | First Named Inventor | Koji ARAI | | |
| | | Group Art Unit | 2732 | | |
| AMOUNT ENCLOSED | \$ 656.00 | Examiner Name | NGUYEN, P. | | |
| FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/97) | | | | | |
| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Number Extra | Rate | Calculations |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 15 ⁽¹⁾ | 20 ⁽²⁾ = | 0 ⁽³⁾ | X \$18.00 = | 0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 13 ⁽⁴⁾ | 6 ⁽⁵⁾ = | 7 ⁽⁶⁾ | X \$78.00 = | 564.00 |
| Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>February 24, 2000</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$380); 3 months (\$870); 4 months (\$1,360); 5 months (\$1,850)): | | | | | 110.00 |
| If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110) | | | | | + |
| Total of above Calculations = | | | | | \$ 656.00 |
| Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) | | | | | - |
| TOTAL FEES DUE = | | | | | \$ 656.00 |
| <small>(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".</small> | | | | | |
| METHOD OF PAYMENT | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed as payment. | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No., below. | | | | | |
| AUTHORIZATION | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 necessary to maintain pendency of the present application to: | | | | | |
| Deposit Account No. | | 19-3935 | | | |
| Deposit Account Name | | STAAS & HALSEY | | | |
| SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY | | | | | |
| Typed Name | Deborah S. Gladstein | | | Reg. No. | 43,636 |
| Signature | | | | Date | March 24, 2000 |